

GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 167. }

WAR DEPARTMENT,
ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,
Washington, October 24, 1862.

Every Commanding Officer of a Detachment, Company, Regiment, or Post, who has any arms in his possession, or under his control, for which he is accountable, shall, within *ten days* after the reception of this order at the camp or post at which he may be stationed, or, if on the march, within twenty days after it has been communicated to him from the headquarters to which he reports, make an inventory, stating—

First. The number of arms for which he is accountable, giving the name or names of the arms.

Second. The calibre of the arms.

Third. Whether they are smooth or rifled.

Fourth. How many are serviceable, and how many require repairs.

Fifth. How many of the arms are in use, and at what place or places those not in use are kept, and what is their condition.

Sixth. The date at which this order was communicated to him.

Such inventory will be signed by the officer making it with his full name, title, and post office address, and be transmitted without delay, by mail, to Brigadier General James W. Ripley, Chief of Ordnance, Washington, D. C., with a letter of advice.

Commanding Officers of Armies, Corps, Divisions, Brigades, Regiments, and Posts, are required to see that this order is enforced in their respective commands, and to report to the Adjutant General whether it has been complied with, stating the names of all officers who fail or neglect to comply with it within the time specified.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR:

L. THOMAS,
Adjutant General.

OFFICIAL:

Assistant Adjutant General.